Weekly Disease Surveillance Report



2022 Reporting Week 23: June 5 - June 11

This weekly report is produced by the DOH-Okaloosa Epidemiology Section to provide situational awareness to community partners. Data is subject to change as additional information is gathered

COVID-19 & ILI Trends

COVID-19 cases and percent positivity have plateaued since last week. The COVID-19
Community Risk (Transmission) Level maintained a risk level of HIGH for Week 23. The COVID-19
Community Level indicator based on hospital activity has remained HIGH this week as well.

Influenza-like illness (ILI) activity decreased this past week, yet remains above the normal trend for this time of year (average 1.5%). Please see page 3 for information on ILI numbers in Okaloosa County.

COVID-19 Resources

The CDC has developed a <u>Quarantine & Isolation Calculator</u> to help individuals determine how long to isolate, quarantine, or take other steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

A new federal <u>Test to Treat</u> program gives people a fast and easy way to get lifesaving treatment for COVID-19. Through this program, if individuals test positive for COVID-19, they may be eligible to receive a prescription and have it filled all at one location. Individuals can also bring home testing results get evaluated by a healthcare provider for treatment.

Please visit the CDC's websites for COVID-19 <u>vaccinations</u> and, specifically, <u>booster</u> shots to stay informed with the most current information, and please continue to promote the COVID-19 vaccine as it is highly effective at preventing severe disease and death.

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COVID-19 Snapshot

Week 23 Community Level % Staffed Beds COVID-19 **New Hospital Admissions** with COVID-19 per 100K Population Community Patients (Past 7 Level (Past 7 Days) Days) HIGH 12.3 2.9% PREVIOUS WEEK COMMUNITY LEVEL: LOW New COVID-19 Cases High Per 100,000 people in New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total) Percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day 10.0-14.9% ≥15.0% average) New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000

population (7-day total)

Percent of staffed inpatient beds

occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day

200 or more

Week 23 Community Transmission Level			
COVID-19 Community Risk Level	New Cases per 100K Population per Week	% Positivity per Week	
HIGH	224.5	18.8%	
PREVIOUS WEEK RISK LEVEL: HIGH			
Low	<10	<5%	
Moderate	10-49	5-7.9%	
Substantial	50-99	8-9.9%	
High	>100	>10%	
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≥10.0%

<10.0%



COVID-19 in Okaloosa County

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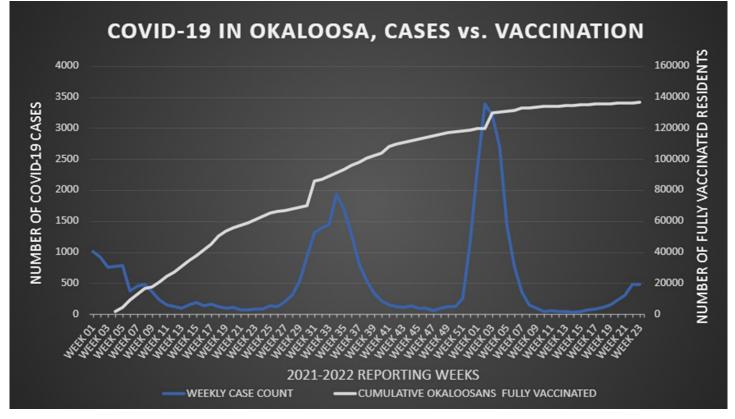


Figure 1: Cumulative number of fully vaccinated Okaloosa residents as compared to COVID-19 cases per week. Data reported through previous Sunday. Data Source: Merlin & CDC COVID Data Tracker

Week 23 Review	Difference from Wk22	
Resident Case Count	473	-5
Resident Case Count per 100K Population	224.5	-2.3
Average Resident Cases per Day	67.6	-0.7
Percent Positivity	18.8%	+0.1

Data Source: Merlin Database

The Florida Department of Health (FDOH) provides the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with county COVID-19 data, including deaths.

Please visit the <u>COVID-19 Community Profile Report</u> webpage to obtain death data by downloading the most recent excel file and locating Okaloosa on the 'Counties' tab.

For questions related to COVID-19 death data, please contact the FDOH Office of Communications at 850-245-4111 or NewsMedia@flhealth.gov.

COVID-19 VACCINATIONS		
Fully-Vaccinated Groups	OKALOOSA	US
% of Population ≥ 5 Years of Age	69.2%	71.0%
% of Population ≥ 12 Years of Age	75.0%	75.2%
% of Population ≥ 18 Years of Age	77.7%	76.7%
% of Population ≥ 65 Years of Age	95.0%	91.3%

Data reported through previous Sunday. Data Source: CDC <u>COVID Data Tracker</u>



Influenza-Like Illness

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Influenza-like Illness (ILI) is defined as fever greater than or equal to 100°F AND cough and/or sore throat in the absence of another known cause.

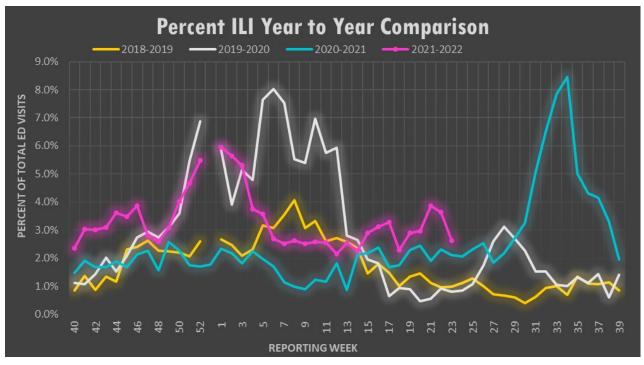


Figure 2:

Annual comparison of the percent of all hospital ED visits due to ILI for Okaloosa county for the 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22 influenza seasons by week.

Data source:

ESSENCE

ANALYSIS: During Week 23, flu reporting partners and ESSENCE (a syndromic surveillance system) reported a decrease in ILI activity for Okaloosa County. The percentage of ILI ED visits in Okaloosa County decreased from 3.65% during Week 22 to 2.61% during Week 23. Flu partners reported 7 positive rapid flu tests this week (7 Type A, 0 Type B). Over the past three weeks, 11 out of 128 influenza specimens submitted to the state lab were positive (6 Influenza A unspecified, 5 Influenza A H3). There was one admission reported by flu partners. No outbreaks or deaths were reported this week. The percentage of total ILI ED visits for Week 23 is higher than that of Week 23 last year.

Note: Other respiratory syndromes can be represented by increased ILI case numbers. Data Source: ESSENCE

% ILI by Age Group Week 23, 2022			
Age Range	ILI Visits	Total ED Visits	% Total ILI Visits
0-4	24	195	12.31%
5-19	9	305	2.95%
20-34	9	592	1.52%
35-54	12	668	1.80%
55-74	13	580	2.24%
75+	1	265	0.38%

Data Source: ESSENCE

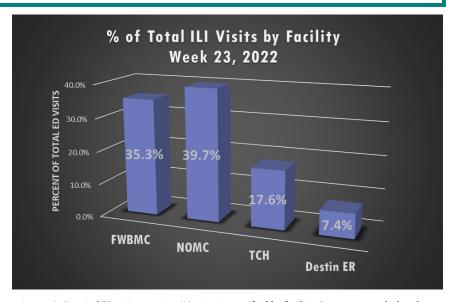


Figure 3: Hospital ED visits meeting ILI criteria stratified by facility. Percentages calculated based on total number of ILI ED visits. (n=68). Data source: ESSENCE

Syndromic Surveillance

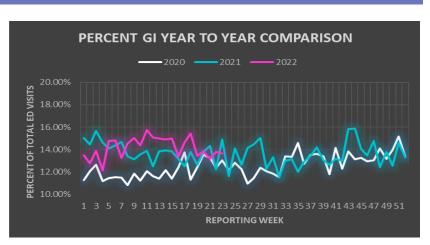
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Gastrointestinal Illness (GI)

Figure 4:

Annual comparison for the percent of GI for all Okaloosa County hospital ED visits week to week for 2020, 2021, and 2022.

Data Source: ESSENCE

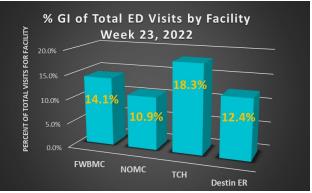


% GI by Age Group Week 23, 2022 **Total ED** % Total GI GI Age Visits **Visits Visits** Range 0-4 35 195 17.95% 5-19 49 305 16.07% 20-34 102 592 17.23% 35-54 89 668 13.32% 55-74 54 580 9.31% **75**+ 27 265 10.19%

Figure 5:

Hospital emergency room visits due to GI illness stratified by facility.

Data source: ESSENCE

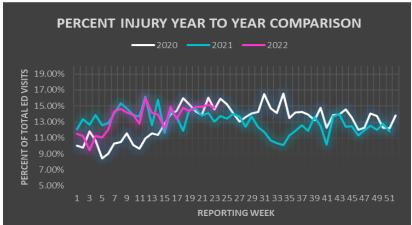


Injury

Figure 6:

Annual comparison for the percent of Injury for all Okaloosa County hospital ED visits week to week for 2020, 2021, and 2022.

Data Source:
ESSENCE



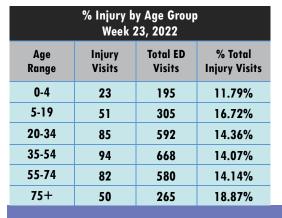
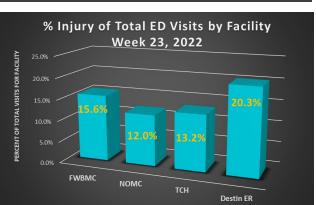


Figure 7:

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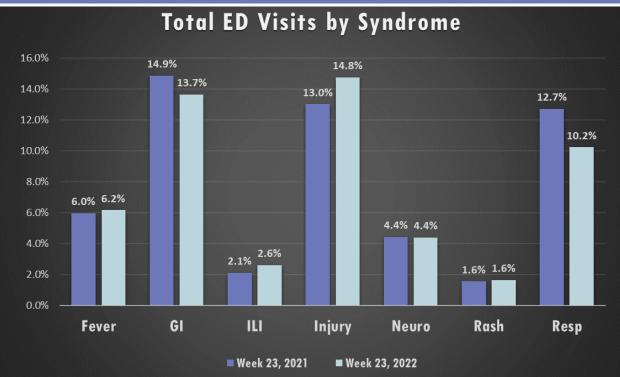
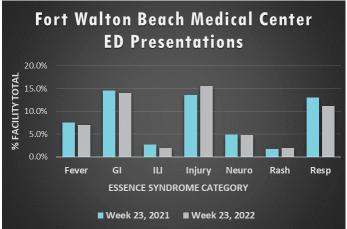
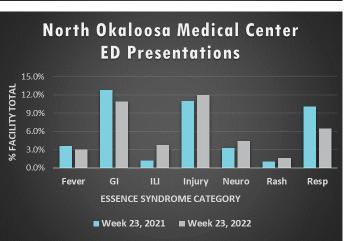


Figure 8: Hospital Emergency Department (ED) visits from 2022 Week 23 by select syndrome category. Percentages calculated based on total number of ED visits (n=2608). Some syndrome categories are not represented; therefore, represented percentages will not total 100%. Data source: **ESSENCE**





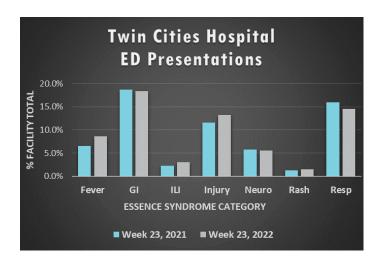
Week 23—Fort Walton Beach Medical Center		
Age Range	Top Syndrome	Total ED Visits for Syndrome
0-4	FEVER	43
5-19	GI	25
20-34	GI	45
35-54	INJURY	52
55-74	INJURY	38
75+	INJURY	24

Week 23—North Okaloosa Medical Center		
Age Range	Top Syndrome	Total ED Visits for Syndrome
0-4	FEVER	10
5-19	GI	9
20-34	GI	29
35-54	INJURY	18
55-74	INJURY	21
75+	INJURY	14

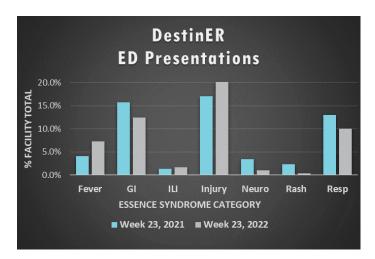


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Week 23—Twin Cities Hospital		
Age Range	Top Syndrome	Total ED Visits for Syndrome
0-4	FEVER	10
5-19	INJURY	11
20-34	GI	21
35-54	GI	20
55-74	GI	19
75+	INJURY	8



Week 23—Destin ER		
Age Range	Top Syndrome Total ED Visits for Syndrome	
0-4	FEVER	11
5-19	INJURY	11
20-34	INJURY	12
35-54	INJURY	13
55-74	INJURY	11
75+	INJURY	4

Week 23—Okaloosa County	
Age Group	Top Syndrome
0-4	FEVER
5-19	INJURY
20-34	GI
35-54	INJURY
55-74	INJURY
75+	INJURY



Data Source: ESSENCE